CTA ADA Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, April 9 2018

Members Present

Committee Members: Pierre Bance

Angela Davis (Chairman)

Melissa Fuller (Vice Chairman) Bridget Hayman

Laura Isaacs Michele Lee

Christina McGleam

Susan Riley

Edwin Rodriguez (Late Arrival)

Donna K. Shaw Amber Smock Allen West

Facilitator: Michael Connelly, Vice President Service

Planning

On Phone: Amy Serpe, Manager, ADA Compliance Programs (who was out on

medical leave).

Chairman Angela Davis called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call

• Meeting members introduced themselves. Amy Serpe, CTA's Manager of ADA Compliance Programs participated by phone.

Announcements

 Mike Connelly announced that although there was a bill that passed in the House which would limit parts of the ADA and be detrimental to people with disabilities, Senator Tammy Duckworth has enough supporters that it will most likely not pass the Senate.

Approval of Minutes

- As there were no corrections to the January 8, 2018 ADA Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes as presented, Chairman Davis asked for a motion to approve the minutes as submitted.
- Vice Chairman Fuller moved and Mr. West seconded the motion.
- There was one abstention, and everyone else voted to approve the Minutes as written.

CTA Board Chairman's Office Update

- Mike Connelly, Vice President of Service Planning provided updates regarding 2 items.
 - The By-Laws were reviewed especially the structure and both a Chairman and Vice Chairman have been appointed.
 - The Public Comment process was reviewed. Beginning with the July 2018 meeting, public comment will be moved to the beginning of the meeting to ensure that people have an opportunity to address the Committee in terms of time. (15 minutes is always

- allotted for public comment). Additionally, people can sign up to make public comment by using a form, similar to what is used for the CTA Board meetings.
- Ms. Smock stated she would like to see a section within the By-Laws explaining how they can be amended. Mr. Connelly stated that this issue can be looked into.

Customer Information and Safety Report

- Graham Garfield, General Manager of Customer Information described what CTA has and is
 doing to provide information and outreach to the public regarding preventing people from going
 onto the tracks or right-of-way (ROW).
- Mr. Garfield stated, "CTA absolutely activelyliscourages respassing on our tracks and we do so through variety of different messagingly have have permanents ignage at all of your stations. There is audiomessaging we've been using on the PA system athe stations. We have what we call formation at ampaigns that are sort of like advisements but they're in-housenessaging.

So in terms of signage, the mere permanent signs at all rail stations there are three types that you'd find at every rail station. The first type is found actually not just stations, but in a number of other location is many people are familiar withit. It's alongwhite sign with red and white sortwarningstriping at theend. It says danger keepff tracks, high voltage. It also includes two pictograms or symbols for betternderstandability articularly by persons for whom English is a second language or may have cognitive solution basically just for general legibilities abilities or basically just for general legibilities abilities or basically just for general legibilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities or basically just for general legibilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities abilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities abilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities abilities and the second language or may have cognitive abilities abilities and the second language abilities abil recognition. One is a person being shocked blue tracks and the other is just a person with international prohibition symbol, the redircleand slash indicating you should not **ba**lkingwhere the sign**s**. These signs are all over our systems. They're spaced a hundred feet apart alothre length of every platform facingou. If you'reon the platform, they're on the opposite side the tracks. They're also along the right of wall across the system. They're a hundred feet apartin residential areas, any place where the barriers/here a fence is less than ten feletah. They are 500 feet apart between stations in the presswaymedian as well as at any access gates on the right ofway. And they are spaced a hundredie tapart in railyards. We kind of blankethe systems with these largeigns. In addition, in stations, we have a signat the end of the platforms at each end on the drailing that says danger no one permitted to ack except employees orduty. This is an additional-it also has a pictogram of a person with theed circle and slash throughthem. This isan additional sign we put at the end of eaphatformbecause there's typically a ladder down to the track level our employees use for accessecausethere is additional access points makina ilittle easier to get on the tracks, we have supplemental sign there to further remind peated on the tracks. The third type of sign is posted oneveryplatform at each entrangeoint. So in other words, at the top of the stairs or when your entrangeoint. an escalator or elevator. Basically, any point the customer enters the environment, have a sign that is generally black and yellow. It says stay on platform, danger, high volta**ga**iling, moving trains. It has a pictogram of an adult and a child holding hands on the platform and it leans electric shock symbol on the tracks next the platform indicating the danger of getting othe tracks. This is permanent signage we have at every ratation.

We've also more recently added **audiomessage** on our system. It plays on the platform system. We began playing it in late Januar 018. We did recently pause playing it a couple week to because of technical issues with the PA system, but we've just recently resumed at gain. If you haven't heard it recently, that shy. We thinkwe've addressed it and should be playing ain. It plays between approximately 7:00m. and 9:30 p.m. about every 15 to 20 minutes on stations that have our newer generation equipment, which is the majority of cutations. The vast majority of our stations are on the now systems. If all the technology works, it will be announcement ... It says basically to the effect of never go down on the tracks, if your psomething, please alert station staff and will assist you.

We do find a number of people who down on the tracks -- there are, of courseany motivations, many reasons. But the large percentage of them are for ostensibily nocent motivations. People drop their wallet heir phone, they go down. Of course we wanto discourage that behavior. ...

In addition to those sorts of mdnard information I'll call them, we have sonaelded campaigns out that also discourage getting othe right ofway. It's sort of a general railafety campaign. This is the second generation at some contraction and some contraction and

we'vedone. We did a first roll out abo**th**reeyears ago and then we refreshed the campa**lgus**t summer it began rollingout. Each of the six creatives, even thou**th** general umbrella of the campaign was **saifety**, they all deal with varying degrees of gettingn the tracks because that is a major parttbe safety issues that we do see with the customers.

On the following slides we have this different creatives. I can describe then very briefly. One -- all of them just to let youknow are photographic, so they are alistic epresentations of the behavior that wee discouraging. They're meant to be a little it jarring. They're not sensationalistic, bute're basically trying to represent whatever thad outcome is going to be moments beforehimppened. For instance, in the first additions don't jump into trouble It's discouragingpeople from accessing the right of way by jumping one fence or crawling under. It depicts aperson jumping over a fence with a train bearing downfiew feetaway. Another discourages people froduckingunder crossing gates and trying to beattain across a railroactrossing. Another says stay behind the lue referring to the blue tactile edging along the dge of the platform. It's discouraging people totandback and not lean over the tracks looking for train or looking for something on thracks. Another says 600 volts will kilbu. Itdepicts somebody dropping their cell phone down the tracks and showing the third railde electrified Another says you can live without it for few minutes. It's another involvingomebodydropping a cell phone on the tracks and couraging people to find station staff or assistantatherthan getting ithemselves. The last says don't create ammergency. It involves discouraging people from usiting emergency door release in mon-emergency situation, which can lead to any number of consequences, and shows him falling out be train As I mentioned, there's six creatives the campaign. There's car cards and ads configitalscreens that went up in September 2017 athrese ads are still running on oursystem.

Finally, although it does noteal specifically with trespassing on the rightway, I was also asked to say a few words brieflyon another campaign that we have going rightw called the rules of conduct campaign. his is reminding our customers and encouraging ompliance with a number of different rules that we hat the tare CTA policy, they're the CTA ordinance. They deal with any number of different issuften quality of life such as not playing audio loutdyno soliciting, not laying down on the atts. Anumber of different issues are touched on the campaign. It involves a number of different thing one is permanent signage at all of our rail stations.

So at each rail station entrance, there is a rutefsconduct sign which lists, along withpictogram, some of the top issues that we want too tify customers about before they pay and entine system so we can say that we warned you not too these things before you paid your fare, whire lips the police withen forcement. There's also ads, car cards, digital that promote some of these top -- I put timp quotes, but some of the top issuestinis campaign. We also produced a brochure too the English and Spanish which lists all of the rute sconduct. So the campaign and signage kind of ists the bigger ones that are in issue more of temperhaps have a bigger impact on safety quality of life. But the brochure lists everything tis the soup to nuts rules of conduct, do's and n'tson CTA. I brought copies of that brochure English and Spanish. I'd be happy to distribute them to the committee and, of course, anyon the general public who would like ne. They are available at all resitations. All bus operators should have them on their person to provide as needed and they are sometime so in some time so we can say that we warned you not too with end or the committee.

- Ms. Isaacs asked why the announcements only play during certain hours of the day. Mr. Garfield explained that, "It's very loud in residential areas and it creates noise complaints."
- Chairman Davis asked if announcements could be made more frequently such as 10 minutes apart rather than 15-20 minutes. Mr. Graham explained that the CTA is working towards having some level of frequency without having announcements played so often that people will tend to tune them out. He also added that the Control Center is also asked to shift times when announcements are played so different people may hear them.
- Mr. Rodriguez asked if there could simply be a button that people could push to get all
 announcements to which Mr. Garfield explained that this would be an infrastructure issue. He
 also explained that the informational announcements are related to safety for all customers
 and need to be presented to the public whether or not they think they need the information.

- Ms. Smock asked if anyone knew how often people are going onto the track and for what purposes? She wondered if some people were doing this due to a life crisis, etc.
- Mr. Pat Daly, Vice President of Security, stated, "We get intrusions on the right vary unfortunately probably everyday. A lot ofthem include what Graham has talked about, dropping phones and dropping personal items to thetrack, they'll go down to the track, pick it up, to theplatform. Then we have intoxicated customers who fall or people who are ill wlfall. The last general group I'll describe basically criminals. People who want to get orthe right of way to either avoid paying there, they'll come in from the street or over the ces, people who want to do graffiti on the trainsthe CTA property or people who are fleein from criminal situations, being pursued by the police for example. As Graham described, we're vegoncerned about the safety of the people who go on the right of way to include our own employees, occurs to mers and even if they're criminals, we don't want yone to get hurt. That 600 plus volts can really well, it can kilyou."
- Ms. Smock was concerned with individuals who may have mental health issues and suggested
 that signs might be posted providing information and phone numbers for suicide prevention
 assistance.
- Mr. Graham explained that this is something CTA has been working on since November 2017. He stated, "So what we've done is we've placedsign -- minimum one sign on everylatform, basically similar to that yellow and black signdescribed about staying on the platform we sort of keyed it to the entrance point basically the point at which the customer entance environment, there's a sign either right therewithin a fewfeet. So if that's something of their mind, they see a sign that says there's helpd has a number for the national suicide prevention hotline. So it -- suicides are, as Mr. Daban confirm or correct me, they asstatistically actually a very, very, very small percentage of the right of way incursions. Most of themare accidents in terms of dropping common criminal trespass, things literat. Of coursel think all of us would agree, with suicide one one too many. So yes, I thank you for bringing that to remind me to mentiothat. So that is something we've actually begun taddress."
- Both Ms. Riley and Ms. Fuller asked if there were any statistics about someone with a disability such as a visual impairment or balance issue falling or getting onto the right-of-way through accidental means. Mr. Daley said that most intrusions were purposeful not accidental.
- Ms. Fuller asked if as the CTA moves forward with rail station constructions that some sound could be added, in addition to the tactile edging on the platform that would alert an individual that they are close to the edge.
- Mr. Robert Wittmann, Vice President of Construction was in the audience and responded to Ms. Fuller's question. "I think that would be omethingwe'd have to take a hard local. It would be new technology for us to implement somethilinge that Again, it would be on a large scale ettingit to every single one of our transistations. That would be a big investment, a new piecetechnology. We'd really have to look to see that the feasibility's."
- Ms. Lee asked if there could be a flashing sign added to the signs at "L" stations that provide train times, etc., that could alert people to stay off the tracks. Mr. Garfield explained that there already are such messages that rotate within the in-house digital ads displayed on the screens.
- Ms. Lee then asked if there was anything about priority seating mentioned within the rules of conduct. Mr. Garfield explained that the information is not within those rules but has been part of various CTA courtesy campaigns. There are also ongoing messages through the bus and train PA systems pertaining to priority seating.
- Mr. Pat Daly, Vice President of Security then provided additional safety information. "Security for the CTA goes alongwith safety. With the right of way, it's aecurity issue, but it's also a safety sue. All theother issues that appear in the code of conduttey'resafety and security issues.

So we workcloselywith the Chicago Police Department sinthey'rethe main police department covering our coveragearea in the CTA, but we also work with anyburbandepartment that the CTA may either have burnaffic through or rail traffic. We have partnered with the Chicago Police Department, Evanston, Oralark, and Forest Park

where we actually hire policement their days off to patrol the systemitocreasepolice presence on the system. The Chicago Police Department has specialized unit dedicated to transit. Soey'recalled the public transportation section. We workhand in hand with them and also the detective to do investigations on the TA. In our security department, we have wo groups.

One is physical securityBasicallywe look at the cameras, fencing, and ograardscontract guard services they manage as well andve do inspections of our percentages to setriere'ssecurity improvements such as fencing, lighting,or other guard serviceneeded.

Then we have an investigative sectionour security services. They are formepoliceofficers or criminal justice majors whodo investigations, either internal regarding ployees or external regarding any type of criminal security-related incidents that occur on the TA, be it rail, bus, or internal to comployees. So we work every single day 365 days a year with the police department and internably keep the CTA safe for the customers and employees.

Mike had asked me to bring up oisesuethat you might have heardbout. It occurred in January when an individual named Lawrence Biondi, who was in a wheelchair, was on the Bluene traveling to a medical center through the Damen stop While he was on the train, he as approached by two individuals and one the mgrabbed his cell phone and took it from him. Then when the train stopped at Damen, the dompened and they actually drove his -- he had an electric wheelchair. They drove his wheelchair of the train, but kept his hone. He was a victim a robbery victim, which could happen to any of s. It's not because he's a wheelchair is justhad his cell phone out, which we don't advocate and he was preyed upon by twindividuals.

One of the things the CTA does havehich! -- this is my second go around here at total. The first time, we started putting in camerais 2004 with the Department of Homelastic curity. We've since gotten more funding for those cameras. So we have tens of thousands of cameras total platforms, rail stations, facility, enveryrailcar, and every bus. The quality of the amerashas increased tremendously over the years of President Dorval Carter recently announced through funding from the city that additional cameraid be placed in areas of the CTA that are obvered, such as bus turnarounds right now and hance chameras will be placed on the system to help reapability of stopping crimes like I described ith Mr. Biondi. We were able to use the cameras both the platforms where the offenders gobn. They actually got on at PulaskiAnd then where he vas forced off the train, we used the cameras as wellon the train to see what happened to him stee actual robbery. And we used the cameras because the two robbers stayed on the train, we weakle to surveil them and find out which statistic yexited the system. One of them, when they entered at ulaski, used a Ventra card as many of you folks might ve. It was because of our camera we were able to note the time and the actual turnstile that we not the eventually arrested him. His cooffender has no been identified and is still not arrested as wet. But this is a prime xample.

We make bulletins up based on the merasand give these bulletins ut. We e-mail themout to a network of about 750 law enforcement and private security folks because many of the oplethat we see committing crimes on the CTA obviously committee crimes in businesses and other cations throughout our servicarea. So we provide this information and many times we'll send bulletin out -- we send them out on a daily basis and 'llinformation from a -- say a police officer says, recognize this gentleman or robber becauserrested him about two years go. We get the information and we're able to solve the me. In that, our cameras help to prevent future mes. The cameras didn't prevent Mr. Biond from being robbed, but it will prevent other people me being robbed by these individuals.

So that's more or less a synopsisvolhatwe do. We investigate, we aid the police, and help to protect the safety and security of he customers through enhancing the physical curity of our stations, our buses, our buses, our buses, and our internal security avell."

• Mr. Bance stated that he sometimes will smell marijuana or smoke on a train or bus and asked if the cameras on these vehicles can help identify the people smoking? Mr. Daly explained that there is a C personnel presence at all rail stations and on buses and trains such as CSAs, guards, bus and rail operational staff. They will ask people who are smoking tabacco, which is not permitted on CTA prope to stop and if needed, the Control Center can be called and they can notify police if people are not compliant or engaged in illegal activities.

- Mr. Bance then asked if anything could be done when people play music really loud, especially if profasis in the lyrics. He explained that he had been on a train recently and wondered why the Rail Operator didn't say anything about the disturbance. Mr. Daly explained that if the Rail Operator is doing his job driving the train, he most likely didn't hear the music, even if the person was in the first car as he is in closed compartment and any customer disturbed by something can press the intercom emergency button to talk directly to the Rail Operator. He went on to explain that this is really a judgement call on part of the customer whether or not they want to call the Rail Operator but did say that there are K-9 personnel and police that do ride the trains to help enforce a safe ride for all customers.
- Mr. Rodriguez explained that he has had experiences where CTA staff has insisted that he
 must take an elevator or sit down on the bus due to the fact that he is blind and that this is a
 federal law. (This is not true and there is no CTA or Federal Law that has this as a policy).
 Chairman Davis explained that he should direct these complaints to the Customer Service and
 ADA Departments when they occur for investigation and follow-up.
- Mr. West explained that he has had the same types of issues and he personally just stands his
 ground and explains that there is no such federal law.
- Ms. Smock thanked Mr. Daly for reporting on the follow-up to the incident regarding Larry Biondi as she and others in the Community know him well.
- Ms. Smock wanted to know if police called to the CTA received training regarding interactions
 with people with disabilities and in crisis management. Mr. Daly who had been with the
 Chicago Police Department until 2011 stated that yes, training by the National Alliance for the
 Mentally III is provided but did not know if all officers have been trained. He did state that if an
 officer was not trained or needed assistance in a situation a trained officer would be called to
 assist.
- Ms. Fuller asked why some stations seem to enforce rules differently than other stations. She provided example of loitering where people may be able to stand around at one station and moved along at another.
- Mr. Daly explained that, "there is a rulægainstloitering. The purpose of the CTA is ttransportyou to your destination, not to be a point rexample, of a street vendor or you knownebodysoliciting. So these rules are the same forall stations if they're not being enforced ane station, it could be perhaps either to A employee wasn't attentive enough. But all CTA employees as well as our security guards at the police know what the rules of the code of conductare and are asked to enforce them if they feals far as our employees, if they feel the network police assistance, they're encouraged to callir control center and to get somebody who to the station."
- Mr. Rodriguez stated that sometimes when people offer to help he doesn't know who they are as he is
 unable to see vests, etc., and questioned if CSAs are CTA employees or subcontractors to which Mr.
 Daly explained that they are CTA employees. He went on to state that anyone offering assistance sho
 identify themselves as a CTA employee.
- Ms. Fuller asked what jurisdiction the Rosemont CTA Station is in regarding who patrols it? Mr.
 Daly explained that the station is in the suburb of Rosemont and patrolled by the Rosemont
 Police Department. He went on to explain that the Skokie Station is patrolled by Skokie Police,
 etc.
- Ms. Lee commented that she does not ride the "L" at night as she does not always feel safe. She also stated that she would be hesitant to push the emergency button on the train as she feels this would call attention to her. Mr. Daly said that a cell phone could be used to alert police and that the CTA is working on the possibility of providing an app where people could text information and would not have to speak and Ms. Lee stated that she really liked that idea.
- Mr. Bance stated that he often has difficulty in locating the call buttons on "L" platforms as he is blind.

- Ms. Lee would like to see signs on trains alerting people that there may or may not be someone from security coming onto the train. She believes this may detour people from stealing cell phones or other crimes.
- Graham Garfield, @neral Manager, Customer Information responded that, "There aren't permanent signs we hicle about that, but we have had campaigns the past, particularly around when we we reased bur camera presence reminding customers that they're being watched and being recorded there are decals on all of the buses and trains reminding customers that they're being recorded attract there is a security presence and we will osecute all crimes against both passengers and employed the fullest extent of the w. There is some language out there the customers know. It doesn't say explicitly we're patrolling, but there is a camera network, do prosecute and pursue criminal matters to the fullest extent."
- Ms. Hayman stated she was appreciative of all the information provided regarding safety and security and asked if statistics were kept specifically related to people with disabilities to which Mr. Daly stated that statistics were not kept for any specific group.
- Mr. Rodriguez asked what a person should do if they are on a bus and feeling threatened by another passenger. Mr. Daley stated that it depends on the situation. If possible, customers should communicate with the Bus Operator who has several means to alerting the Control Center and police. Customers can also call 911 if they feel this is necessary and can't get to the Bus Operator.

Timing Issue and Completion of Meeting

- Chairman Davis stated that, due to the fact that Committee members needed to go into an
 Executive Session for Ethics Training that unless anyone had any pressing matters, the other
 topics/reports listed on the Agenda including Construction, All Stations Accessibility Program
 (ASAP), Escalator/Elevator and Customer Services Reports would be updated at the next
 meeting.
- Two additional issues were raised to which Mr. Connelly said would be addressed at a future meeting.
 - Ms. Smock wanted to know if there would be additional Federal funding given to the CTA, and
 - Mr. Rodriguez asked if there would ever be just one Ventra card that people could use which would define, disability, ride free, Paratransit rider, etc.

Public Comment

- Chairman Davis then called on the 2 individuals who had signed up for Public Comment.
- Garland Armstrong, a former member of CTA's ADA Advisory Committee, thanked both Mr. Daly and Mr. Garfield for presenting all of the safety, security and communications information because he is always concerned about people being on the "L" tracks/ROW. He suggested that signs should be presented in different languages as a reminder to everyone.
- Jamal Powell, current Chairman of the Pace Suburban ADA Advisory Committee also thanked the presenters as he felt the information was well prepared and delivered. He also stated that CTA's Customer Service (CS) Department does a good job at getting back to people and advised anyone who has a concern to report it to the CS Department.
- Chairman Davis and Mr. Connelly both reminded everyone that in July there would be a slightly different process regarding Public Comment as people are asked to sign up

ahead of the day of the meeting. The ADA Manager should be contacted if people have questions or need assistance.

Od Business

There was no old business.

New Business

- Ms. Smock would like a representative from the Chicago Police Department (CPD) to come to either the next meeting or the meeting after that (July or October) to talk about their interactions with the Disability Community in relation to the CTA.
- Ms. Isaacs would like to hear about safety and security as it pertains to buses.
- Mr. Connelly responded that these topics can be looked into for a future follow-up meeting.

Adjournment

- Ms. Davis noted the next meeting will be Monday July 9th, 2018.
- Ms. Davis asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bance moved to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Riley seconded. All voted, "Aye," and the meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

• Although there was not time during the meeting to present the Escalator/Elevator and Customer Service Statistics, they are being presented here as a courtesy to Committee members (who did receive them) and the public.

Elevator/Escalator Efficiencies Statistics

- The *Elevator/Escalator Efficiencies Reports* were sent to all Committee members in advance for review in addition to the hard copy provided in the meeting packets.
- For the 1st quarter of 2018 vs. Q-1 in 2017, the following reflects **Elevator** Efficiencies:
 - Jan. 2018 = 98.9% vs. Jan. 2017 = 99.2% (-0.3%)
 - Feb. 2018 = 97.2% vs. Feb. 2017 = 98.9% (-1.7%)
 - Mar. 2018 = 99.0% vs. Mar. 2017 = 99.2% (-0.2%)
- For the 4th quarter of 2017 vs. Q-4 in 2016, the following reflects **Escalator** Efficiencies:
 - Jan. 2018 = 95.3% vs. Jan. 2017 = 96.9% (-14.5%)
 - Feb. 2018 = 95.2% vs. Feb. 2017 = 95.8% (-8.9%)
 - Mar. 2018 = 97.5% vs. Mar. 2017 = 97.3% (-2.9%)
- The data also included information on the following Escalator Reconditioning Projects.
 - Montrose Blue Line (Up Escalator) anticipated start date June 1, 2018.
 - River Road Blue Line (Up Escalator) anticipated start dates October 1, 2018.

Customer Service Report

- The Customer Service Reports were sent to all Committee members in advance for review in addition to the hard copy provided in the meeting packets.
- The following are the 1st quarter statistics regarding disability-related Customer Service complaints.
 - Total CTA complaints for all three months of Q-1 2018 (January, February and March 2018), = 4,267 of which 188 were ADA related complaints (4%).
 - Q-1, 2018 Bus Related Complaints: Jan. 44, Feb. 49 and Mar. 49, totaling 142.

- Q-1, 2018 Rail Related Complaints: Jan. 11, Feb. 15 and Mar. 20, totaling 46.
- During the 3 month 2018 Q-1 period, there were a total of 188 ADA Compliance Complaints which include things such as rude operator, pass up, ramp issues, stroller issues, refusing boarding with a legitimate service animal, failure to kneel bus, AVAS (announcements), priority seating, gap filler, elevator and escalator issues and touching passenger, service animal or personal equipment (if not requested to assist).
- Below is a breakdown of the top ADA Compliance Issue complaint categories for Q-1 2018 vs Q-1 2017:
 - ADA Compliance accounted for 188 complaints in 2018 vs. 144 in 2017.
 - Rude Operator totaled 49 complaints in 2018 vs. 38 in 2017.
 - Pass up totaled 16 complaints in 2018 vs. 20 in 2017.
 - Lift/Ramps totaled 11 complaints in 2018 vs. 10 in 2017.
 - Ramp issues totaled 11 complaints in 2018 vs 10 in 2017.
 - Failure to Kneel Bus totaled 8 complaints in 2018 vs. 1 in 2017.
 - Stroller issues totaled 4 complaints in 2018 vs. 2 in 2017.
 - Priority Seating issues totaled 3 complaints in 2018 vs. 6 in 2017.
 - Malfunctioning/Inoperable AVAS (automated stop announcements) totaled 8 complaints in 2018 vs. 13 in 2017.
 - Failure to announce stops totaled 4 complaints in 2018 vs. 3 in 2017.
 - Service Animals totaled 5 complaints in 2018 vs. 0 in 2017.
 - Gap Filler Issues totaled 4 complaints in 2018 vs. 2 in 2017.
 - Elevator Issues totaled 6 complaints in 2018 vs. 2 in 2017.
 - Escalator, Accessible Service and Touching Passenger/Equipment/Service Animal Issues totaled 0 complaints in 2018 vs. 0 in 2017 for each category.